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WEATHER.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—For lower Michigan—Fair, slightly warmer, variable winds.

IS HE A CITIZEN.
Mr. McQueen has evidently decided not to announce whether he is a citizen of Michigan or Canada. He has held the office of sheriff of Kent county for nearly two years and during that time he has served innumerable processes on American citizens while his own citizenship has been in doubt. His citizenship was once called into question, but John McQueen has never publicly declared that he is a naturalized or a native-born citizen of the United States. The matter was taken into court where it was conveniently pigeon-holed by Ananias Kins. It never came to trial and today the question is unsettled.

It is Mr. McQueen's patriotic duty to settle this matter now and for all time by producing satisfactory proofs of his citizenship. If he fails to do so, then there is but one alternative for patriotic democrats—they must vote for a man who is a citizen, and who is not ashamed to proclaim the fact from the house-tops. Mr. McQueen will appreciate the delicacy of his position. He appreciated the delicacy of his position when it was proved that he patronized a convict-labor firm, and immediately offered a soulful explanation of his course.

There are no tears in the citizenship question. It is a plain, blunt question of loyalty and patriotism. No court is necessary to establish his standing. No appeal is required to satisfy the doubting. Mr. McQueen is a citizen or he is not a citizen. If he is a citizen he has but to declare himself such and prove that his declaration is true. Again THE HERALD offers the use of its columns to him. It desires that he should prove his citizenship because it would be humiliating to confess that the sheriff of Kent county is a Canadian.

And then, how can a democrat relish the idea of being arrested by a Canadian clothed with police power by the county of Kent, Michigan? Are there not enough patriotic American citizens to select a candidate for sheriff from among? To be sure, Mr. McQueen has resided here for years, has paid taxes and respected our laws; but so did Senator Duran, who was obliged to be naturalized in the night time in order to be eligible for an office in the United States. Is Mr. McQueen more or less a citizen than was Senator Duran? If he stubbornly refuses to answer THE HERALD will appeal to every loyal citizen of Kent county to vote against him as a man ashamed to own that he reverts the stars and stripes.

JUGGLING IN OREGON.
With defeat staring them in the faces the democrats resort to extreme measures to forestall it. It will be remembered that in 1876, an attempt was made away out in Oregon to steal an electoral vote for Tilden, but it was frustrated. This year the trick of 1876 will be repeated if an opportunity presents itself and the democrats are preparing to make the opportunity.

The democratic national committee telegraphed to the state central committee in Portland to withdraw the Cleveland electors of Oregon from the list in favor of the Weaver electors. The Cleveland elector had already done so and the other three, upon receipt of the telegram, did so, leaving the fight between Harrison and the combined forces of Cleveland and Weaver. It is represented that the democrats justify such action on the ground that as they cannot do so by casting the vote of the state for Cleveland they are justified in turning it against Harrison.

"There are several possible contingencies," says the Chicago Post, "in which, if this maneuver succeeded, the Weaver electors from Oregon would hold the balance of power in the electoral college. If Cleveland, for example, should carry the solid south, excluding West Virginia, and New York, New Jersey, Indiana and five electors from Michigan, but lose Connecticut, he would still lack four votes of a majority, and it would rest with the four Weaver electors from Oregon to cast their votes."

VOTE FOR YOURSELF.
J. Thomas, manager of the Hingham plant works, Wales, visited a number of weeks ago to make arrangements for the tin-plate industry. If he returns he will make a public statement against his interests, in contrast of which he was compelled to say that the wages of men engaged in tin-plate industry in America are 50 per cent greater than in Wales. He also said that the prospective future of Wales depended upon the abolition of the McKinley tariff.

He concluded from his observations that if Harrison should be elected it will mean a new factory, immense industries, the development of new resources, the establishment of new and powerful industries, the employment of tens of thousands of workers at high re-

munerative and living wages; besides the influx of capital and investments, all of which will go to make the United States a richer land and her citizens more independent, comfortable and contented.

On the other hand, if the candidate of free trade and British favor, Cleveland, succeeds at the polls, it means that the depression in manufactures which now afflicts Great Britain will be transferred to the United States; that the infant and prosperous industries fostered by protection will be strangled; that capital will cease to find its way to plant American industries, and that there will be no inducement for the wage-earner to leave his own land to get better wages in the United States.

Every American workman stands between this Elial and Gerizim, his vote is the one that will decide the momentous question. There is no way that he can please England better than by voting for Grover Cleveland. Before he casts that little paper which bears the names of the presidential electors into the ballot box let him ask himself whether he is ready to vote for England or for the United States, for the benefit of foreigners or for the happiness of his own friends and family.

GET OUT THE VOTE.
As the campaign narrows down the necessity for the exercise of great vigilance in marshaling the forces of the protection army becomes more apparent. In this city and county the greatest activity will be essential to polling the full republican vote. From the canvass made there appears to be but little doubt that the democrats are well organized. The leaders confidently expect to get out a larger vote than in any contest since 1884. If this proves to be true, it means success for them. They can be outwitted by a like movement on the part of republicans.

Early in the campaign THE HERALD led the movement for the organization of ward clubs. In response to the call for a preliminary meeting John Patton, Jr., then president of the state league of clubs, took hold of the work. In a short time every ward in the city was organized. Since then meetings have been held from time to time and the clubs have exerted a wholesome influence in the campaign. The organization of these clubs, as contemplated by THE HERALD and ex-President Patton, was not only to keep the fires of republicanism ablaze during the preliminary skirmish, but also to render effective aid when the real battle is on.

Under our present system of voting, working at the polls is practically prohibited, but there is no limitation or restriction on the usefulness of individuals in getting out voters to the polls and in instructing them how to vote when they shall enter the booths. It is in this work that the ward clubs will be able to render powerful and effective service to the party. Each member should feel it to be incumbent upon himself to enlist in this laudable undertaking and to do his utmost to get out every republican elector and to be well advised that each knows how to vote.

It might not be a bad plan for each ward club to hold a meeting before election in which the new system of voting and how to prepare ballots should be explained in detail. Then, too, plans could be perfected for getting out the vote by details of members and a perfect system for the day could be perfected. The democrats have foreseen the necessity for concerted action and, with ready money at command, are prepared to vote every democrat in this city. The republicans are without a corruption fund and the work for them must be done by the clubs.

Mr. Bonnows grappled the issue involved in this campaign, and by his sturdy sentences left no doubt as to the rectitude of his political principles. His argument was a towering oak among the yielding saplings of democracy. He caught the inspiration of the hour and his thunderbolts of logic shook and swayed the puny idols of free trade sophistry so that the bravest hearted democrat quailed. His speech was redundant with force. Everything he uttered carried with it the conviction of truth. His remarkable showing in opposition to the threadbare wall of democracy that "the rich are growing richer and the poor poorer" was a revelation to the doughfaces in his audience and a welcome innovation to his republican hearers. As a whole it was incomparably the best speech of the campaign.

Monroe who is suspected to be a candidate for probate judge, through the grace of the people's party, is engaged in the attempt to prove that J. Haley Dennison, another suspected candidate, tried to convince a formerly suspected candidate named Young, that there was a cartload of boodle in this campaign for the people's nominees. Judging from the way the democrats have bulldozed and boozed themselves on to the people's tickets, Suspect Monroon will be able to prove the truth of his charge.

At St. White cannot be re-elected if every honest elector will vote in keeping with his sense of honor. No republican should forget that Mr. White was a member of a legislature that voted to steal two senatorial seats, strangled the sovereign right of the people to equal representation in the electoral college and tried to steal, by outrageous gerrymandering, the next legislature.

There was a deep significance in the speeches of Messrs. Burrows and Stockbridge that impressed itself on the minds of the audience. They believed in the absolute necessity of republican triumph. Nobody could doubt their intense sincerity.

increased wages be cited, while the statisticians respond with reports showing an average net increase ranging from 10 to 50 per cent. During the census period 1880-90 the average wages per hand in Detroit increased 25.34 per cent.

SENATOR STOCKBRIDGE devoted his remarks last evening to the elucidation of the money question. His explanations of the effect of abolishing the 10 per cent tax on state banks and the destruction of the purchasing value of silver by free coinage was lucid and practical.

LATEST advices from New York represent that the republicans are confident of the election of Harrison and Reid and will hear no other report. Over confidence will not be allowed to supervene, but every detail will be attended to with renewed vigilance.

MR. McKINNEY's infant class in the first branches of "How to Draw a Criminal Complaint, as Full of Holes as a Colander," is now separated into squads of one and distributed among the farmers to tell them "What They Do Not Know About the Tariff."

SENATOR DORAN is so indifferent to success that he has not taken the trouble to reprint the Legislative Journal showing that his vote is recorded in favor of seating the notorious Fridlander. He should attend to this.

ELECTION bets do not indicate which way the cat will jump, but when republicans fail to offer odds large enough to challenge democratic acceptance, it looks as if the cat would jump our way.

ANOTHER staunch lake steamer has gone to the bottom. The tragedy revives the awful fate that overtook the Western Reserve, hailing from the same city.

Now that the city has been mulcted nearly \$900 to pay for a hole in the street, it might be a good plan to have some of the remaining caverns repaired.

SEVERAL states are importing Grover to deliver speeches to save them from the enemy. He did a magnificent job of saving in Rhode Island last spring.

GRAND RAPIDS has had the Women's Home missionaries here for a week, and likes them so well. She is sorry they can't come every year.

DAVE HILL has got to the point where he can say without a blush that it is a pleasure for him to support Cleveland.

AFTER next Tuesday Allan B. Morse and his beautiful song "Comrades" will take an indefinite vacation.

FRIDAY is set apart for registration. If you are not in it Friday you will not be in it Tuesday.

THERE is still one colored democrat in the city, but he's "awful lonesome."

DEFEAT THESE SQUAWBUCKS.

The following members of the infamous squawbuck legislature of 1891 have had the monumental nerve to ask the people in their several localities for re-election and indorsement of their course.

Senator Peter E. Park of the fourth district, a nonentity from Wayne county.

Senator James H. Morrow of the fifth district, who held an illegal seat during the session.

Senator Harvey Miller of the twelfth district.

Senator John R. Benson of the thirteenth district, who, through pretending to be an independent, voted with the democrats on all partisan questions.

Senator Peter Doran of the sixteenth district, from Kent county.

Senator Gilbert of the twenty-fourth district.

All these men were parties to the crime committed early in the session, by which Morrow and Fridlander were illegally seated through bad faith, disregard of justice and precedent to actual robbery. To re-elect these senators is to stamp with approval their partisan action in ousting two members of the legislature who were duly elected, in passing the outrageous gerrymander and in enacting the infamous Miner law. Are the people of the several districts above mentioned prepared to do that?

We continue the disreputable list: Representatives Brintley Knight of Bay, Marvin Ferguson of Calhoun, Philip B. Wachtel of Cheboygan, Hugh Chisholm of Grandt, Frank E. Doremus of Ionia, Augustus F. Ferguson of Ingham, John W. Curtis of Isabella, Thomas E. Barkworth, of Jackson, Arthur S. White of Kent, Arthur H. Tripp, William F. Lewis of Oceana, Daniel McGovern of Oshtemo, Chauncey W. Wagner of Saginaw, Hiram Johnson of Shiawassee, Fred H. Bathey of St. Clair, Francis Leach of Tuscola, Lawrence Nolan, Francis Fildew and William M. Holton of Wayne.

These are the men whose fraudulent memory lingers in the bungling and partisan legislation of the legislature of 1891. They alone of the democrat and populist members of that infamous body have had the impudence to ask to be endorsed at the hands of the people. We trust that the people who have been misrepresented by these men will emphatically reprobate them at the polls next Tuesday. Let every reprobate of the squawbuck legislature be wiped out by an indignant and honest electorate—Detroit Tribune.

TRUE TO ITS PLEDGE.
On the 6th day of September, last, one day before the holding of the nominating convention of the republicans of Cook county, this newspaper said: "The Inter-Ocean, firm in its belief that Mr. Lorimer is unworthy of the confidence of the people, repeats here, word for word, and has said that it will not support him if he be nominated but will advise its readers to vote against him on election day." During the intervening weeks the Inter Ocean has found no cause leading to a change of belief in the unworthiness of William Lorimer, but rather additional proof thereof. It is respectfully requested that the Inter-Ocean, firm in its promise, advise its readers to vote against him as a person unworthy to represent the republican party.—Chicago Inter-Ocean, uncompromisingly republican.

TO SAVE THE GIRLS

What the Missionaries in Alaska Are Doing.

MRS. DAGGART'S ABLE PLEA

For the Wayward Members of Her Sex in Alaska—The Convention Re-Elects Its Old Officers.

Mrs. Marcey led the devotional exercises at the morning session of the Home Missionary society and the report of the Alaskan mission was first considered. The chief object of the mission is the saving of young Indian girls from the life of immorality into which they are induced by visiting sailors. The mission school is located at Aniak.

Mrs. L. H. Daggart, secretary of the Alaskan bureau, was present with her report which was read by the secretary, Mrs. Aikens, as the Alaskan representative labored under the disadvantage of having a weak voice. The paper opened with the statement of free transportation having been furnished by the North American Commercial company to Alaska. Continuing, she said: "Alaska's first greeting was to meet at midnight by one of its most active volcanoes. By noon I was seated in our old dilapidated Jesse Lee home, surrounded by fifteen bright faces of our girls, with a background of two such sad, discouraged ones that my heart was nearly broken."

"Where is Our Home?" The girls had been told over and over that Mrs. Daggart was coming to bring them home and every steamer that came into the harbor was eagerly watched by both teachers and scholars. "Where is our home?" came from all sides. How could I say I did not bring it. Last year's annual meeting appropriated \$1,400 for salary and traveling expenses of two teachers to Alaska. Immediately after this the commissioner of education was consulted. He agreed to appoint and pay two teachers. From the first it has been the aim of all connected with this work to have it considered a government school. Had it been otherwise we should not have received the sanction of the bishop of the Greek church.

The first Sunday after my arrival I had the pleasure of seeing this bishop go through his ceremonies in his gold embroidered satin robes. These bishops assistant often called at the home to join with us at evening prayers. He read our bible, and being one of Russian descent, he most charmingly played our organ and sweetly sang our hymns. The disolute mother of one of our 14-year-old girls was doing her best to get her to run away. We did not know that the bishop knew anything about this until his assistant informed us that he had said the girl should stay with us until she was 19. The bishop could not have gained had our school been considered a mission school. Two years ago when these girls came to us looking and acting more like animals than human beings they could not speak a word of English. Today from our little 6-year-old barista to Tatiana of 19 we know the names of the books in the Bible and can turn to any chapter in them more readily than many an adult in Sunday school and can sing well. All the large ones are learning to cook, two learning dressmaking and one taking special lessons in vocal and instrumental lessons from Mr. Tuck.

Saving Girls From Sin.
These girls so transformed that in two years those who knew them in the holes in the ground—their only home—do not now recognize them. Are these to be turned out to the wolves in human shape that come to our homes and gaze in the windows, and then knock holes in the fence and knot-holes in the den-coop, as they do to one girl who has not yet weaned herself from these friends, from the whale ships or war vessels? When our new home is built the fence we erect will protect them from this. They can never safely go out alone except in the company of the missionaries.

Mrs. Tuck upon them, never go to these greenest of hills and mountains so covered with loveliest flowers from base to summit that a single step cannot be taken without crushing them, never visit without one or more adults to protect them. Even when these courses follow and regard at a special if not kept closely grouped around their escort. A government officer says that there are at the Seal Islands at least seventy-five girls who need to be sent to us. Many will perish if we do not take them."

The report closed with an urgent appeal for additional funds and room. Considerable discussion followed and the entire matter of the mission was referred to the general executive board.

Afternoon Session.

"Our friends from Louisiana" opened the afternoon session with a melodious rendering of the hymn "I'll Be There." Mrs. A. B. Gould was made a life member. Mrs. A. B. Gould, of Cleveland, O., and Mrs. A. A. Knapper were made life members. Mrs. Levi Marter of Michigan was made a life member. The Rev. A. M. Gould and daughter were also made life members.

The subject of Deacons' home being introduced by Mrs. Minard of Buffalo in a resolution providing for aid from the general fund when necessary. Mrs. Norton of New Mexico presented the report from the conference, showing that a gain had been made over last year.

The report of the committee on nominations recommending the re-election of the old officers was unanimously adopted and the secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the convention.

The officers are: President—Mrs. John Davis. First Vice President—Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, Cleveland, O. Second Vice President—Mrs. H. C. McKelvie, Delaware, O.

Third Vice President—Mrs. Bishop Walten, Cincinnati, O. Fourth Vice President—Mrs. J. F. Welling, Cincinnati, O. Fifth Vice President—Mrs. W. G. Williams, Delaware, O. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. F. S. Hoyt.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. F. A. Aiken. Treasurer—Mrs. A. B. Clark.

The president, two secretaries and treasurer reside in Cincinnati. The following list was also presented as members of the board of managers: Mrs. J. L. Whitson, Mrs. M. V. House, Mrs. M. V. Amel, Mrs. W. C. Hayes, Mrs. J. H. Hayes, Mrs. B. P. Goff, Mrs. J. W. Gossling, Mrs. Joseph Thorne, Mrs. L. D. Jones, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. O. J. Williams, Mrs. W. A. Goodman.

Provisional Members of Board—Mrs. A. B. Clark. The president, two secretaries and treasurer reside in Cincinnati. The following list was also presented as members of the board of managers: Mrs. J. L. Whitson, Mrs. M. V. House, Mrs. M. V. Amel, Mrs. W. C. Hayes, Mrs. J. H. Hayes, Mrs. B. P. Goff, Mrs. J. W. Gossling, Mrs. Joseph Thorne, Mrs. L. D. Jones, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. O. J. Williams, Mrs. W. A. Goodman.

Jane Bancroft Robinson, Mrs. Wade Rogers, Mrs. Anna Kent, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk. Similar action was taken.

Honorary Vice Presidents.

In the revision of the by-laws the term of office for honorary vice-presidents was limited to ten years, the honorary vice-presidents to be entitled to a seat on the floor, a voice in the discussion but not the voting privileges. Mrs. Goff presented for honorary vice-presidents the following nominations which were confirmed: Mrs. Wiley, Cincinnati; Mrs. Simpson, Philadelphia; Mrs. John A. Logan, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. M. McQuellian Brown, Cincinnati; Mrs. Anne Shinkle, Covington, Ky.; Mrs. J. H. Hayles, Evanson, Ill.; Mrs. A. Wessel, Cincinnati; Mrs. Peck, Syracuse, N. Y.; Mrs. Harris, Evanson, Ill.; Mrs. Andrews, New York; Mrs. S. W. Thompson, Delaware, O.; Mrs. U. S. Grant, New York; Miss Fannie Hayes, Evanson, Ill.; Mrs. Edward Smith, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Bishop Hirst, New York; Mrs. C. L. Runyan, Hillsboro, O.; Mrs. Morris, Springfield, O.; Mrs. Ninde, Topoka, Kas.; Mrs. Foss, Philadelphia; Mrs. Fowler, San Francisco, Cal.; Mrs. Springer, Anamosa, Ia.; Mrs. Angie F. Newman, Lincoln, Neb.; Mrs. J. M. Bufford, Mrs. M. Fitzgerald, Minneapolis; Mrs. B. Dymond, Cincinnati.

Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk chairman of the committee on next place of meeting, reported that three invitations had been received; one from Chattanooga, Tenn., one from Toledo, O., and one from Detroit, Mich. There is a standing invitation from Anamosa, Ia. Mrs. Griffith moved that the invitation from Chattanooga be accepted. A standing vote numbered 51 in favor and the invitation was declared accepted.

Mrs. Judge M. B. Hagans, wife of the legal adviser of the Women's Home Missionary Society arose and explained that she had received a letter from her husband advising that as the women desire the Act of Incorporation amended, the next meeting should be held in Ohio, as the society was incorporated under the laws of that state. The vote was therefore reconsidered, and the invitation from Toledo was accepted. The Rev. A. M. Gould and daughter sang a duet.

Secretaries Nominated.
The secretary, Mrs. Aikens, nominated the following secretaries of bureaus and they were confirmed: Bureau for east southern states, Mrs. J. Whitson, Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati; bureau for east central states, Mrs. J. E. Gilbert, No. 191 East Michigan Street, Indianapolis, Ind.; bureau for west central states, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk; bureau for west southern states, Mrs. M. B. Hagans, Beecher avenue, Cincinnati; bureau for Texas, Mrs. E. L. Albright, Delaware, Ohio; bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), Mrs. Anna Kent, Bradley Beach, N. J.; bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), Mrs. E. W. Simpson, No. 16 Seventh Street, Troy, N. Y.; bureau for Mormons, Mr. K. W. P. Goff, Bryn Mawr, Pa.; bureau for Indians, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Delaware, Ohio; bureau for young people's work, Mrs. M. A. Griffith, Washington, D. C.; bureau for mission supplies, Mrs. Hale, Cincinnati; Home Missionary circle, Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Cincinnati; bureau for deaconess' work, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Detroit, Mich.

Considerable business of a routine nature was despatched with a swiftness that stamped the presiding officer and members as efficient workers and adept parliamentarians.

After the singing of a hymn the session adjourned with the benediction.

Evening Session.
The evening session opened with the singing of "One More Day's Work for Jesus." After prayer had been offered a resolution was offered by Mrs. Springer, expressing grief for the death of Mrs. L. K. Thayer and Mrs. L. A. Roberts.

Mrs. Springer, who is organizer of the society, presented the report of her work.

In the afternoon Mrs. A. M. Gould had been made a life member of the society, but as she was already a life member, Mrs. Fisk moved that the honor be conferred upon Mrs. E. G. Studley.

Mrs. Jennie F. Welling, secretary of the immigration bureau, presented her report.

The committee on nominations presented the following names for the staff of the Women's Home Mission, the journal of the association: Editor, Mrs. L. B. McKelvie; publisher, Mary Belle Evans; auditor, Mrs. F. S. Hoyt.

Mrs. Mansfield, in behalf of the Boston women, thanked the immigration board for the work it had done in that city.

Mrs. Collins, organizer of northern Nebraska, spoke of her work in that section. The report of the finance committee showed the amount granted for different bureaus in the county, and also money granted to Deaconess' home. It showed that \$35,000 had been granted unconditionally and \$189,350 conditionally.

Mrs. Griffin presented the report of the supply department.

Mrs. Everett presented a resolution to the effect that the corresponding secretary be instructed to correspond with the W. C. T. U. and ask them to arrange their dates so the annual meeting will not conflict. The resolution was adopted.

The secretary and assistant secretaries were given a vote of thanks.

Mrs. John Davis, president of the society, was also tendered a rising vote of thanks.

The convention closed with a short sacred service conducted by Mrs. Oumpagun.

Will Stop the Leak.
The committee on buildings of the common council is looking after the leak in the elevator pipes which is flooding the basement of the city hall.

The leak appears to be in a pipe that passes through the fire alarm bell from the basement to the fire room and passes through one of the thick walls of the basement. It will be an expensive and troublesome leak to repair. All the pipes in the building are hidden in the thick walls and are difficult to reach in case a leak occurs.

Funeral of Cyrus Freeman.
Cyrus Freeman, an old and respected resident of Wrentham township, was buried at Grandville today. Mr. Freeman was a member of Grandville Lodge, No. 24, F. & A. M., of this city, and the burial was held under the auspices of the fraternity of Grandville.

Announcements.
Friendship and society seems to have caught the popular taste at the Grand. Rainy weather cannot keep the crowd away from this theater. The social matinee will be given today.

Everybody will be on hand to welcome "The Grand" at the Grand next Sunday evening. One has been in the city several times and he needs no introduction to those who patronize this popular playhouse of the masses. Seats go on sale today.

The program at Smith's will be repeated in full at matinees tomorrow and Saturday afternoons.

WE MAKE THE BEST

The American Piano Leads the World in

QUALITY AND ARTISTIC MERIT

Augustus Baus Discusses the Manufacture of Pianos and the Superiority of American Instruments.

Augustus Baus of New York, manufacturer of the Baus piano, is a guest at Sweet's. Mr. Baus is taking a trip through the west looking after the piano trade. "America leads the world in the manufacture of pianos," he said to a reporter for THE HERALD last night. "The best pianos made are of American manufacture. In spite of the duty on part of the raw material we make pianos that equal those of any other country on earth. Piano manufacturing in America is comparatively a new industry. It was begun in 1826, I believe, but Europe had been manufacturing pianos for years. They regarded their art as almost perfected before we began, but our instruments now surpass theirs in every possible way."

To begin with, our workmanship is superior to theirs. We make a massive case that is heavy, serviceable and artistic in every sense of the word. Then our sounding boards have never been equaled. They are cut from spruce and the quality is superior to anything else ever known. Foreign manufacturers now import our sounding boards.

Introduced the Iron Frame.
The American manufacturers introduced the iron frame to strengthen the case, and the modern method of stringing. This gives volume and tone to the sound instead of the weak, thin effects that were produced by the other method. We import our strings from Germany, but everything else in connection with the piano is American. Our manufacturers have never tried to make piano strings of a high quality, but I can see no reason why the industry could not be made profitable. All the best piano strings now come from Germany. The foreign pianos give a soft, pleasing tone and are very good in a steady, moderate climate, but they cannot endure marked changes in temperature and the degree of moisture. American pianos are made to meet this strain that is brought to bear upon them, and in accomplishing this we have made the best piano in the world.

The foreign manufacturer pays the duty and freight and can sell his pianos here cheaper than we can manufacture them; but in spite of that very few foreign made pianos are sold in America. Quality is what tells, and the public prefers to buy a first class home product to an inferior imported article. Every reputable manufacturer of pianos in America produces an article superior to the best imported instrument.

The upright piano is the favorite and probably always will be. Of course the concert grand is a superior instrument; but it is so large that it can be used only in concert halls. The square piano is no longer asked for, and is de-

edly inferior to the upright and grand."

GREAT DEMAND FOR PIPES.

Water Mains Manufacturers are Overcrowded With Orders.

A letter was received yesterday by the board of public works from the house from which the board orders its water pipes, stating that it was having in orders and that it would be some days before the pipes could be shipped. Enough pipe, however, is expected this week to make the extension to the knitting works on Butterworth avenue. Next week it is hoped that a start will be made in the Lake avenue extension. The demand for water pipes at this season of the year is very great.

New Quarters for the Y. M. C. A.

The lease of the present quarters of the Young Men's Christian association on North Division street will expire November 10, and the association expects to vacate on that date. The effects will be moved into one of the rooms in the basement of the new building where the headquarters will be maintained, or until the new building is completed. The meeting next Sunday afternoon will be the last one held in the old rooms and no special speaker will be announced. It is designed that the last meeting shall be a sort of conference and experience meeting. Until the new building is ready to occupy the Sunday afternoon meetings will be held in one of the churches.

Roorda Broke His Leg.

Yesterday afternoon John Roorda, an employee on the new L. H. Ward building, was assisting in removing some scaffolding when a small piece of timber struck him on the shoulder. He jumped quickly to get out of the way and his left foot was caught between two timbers. In his efforts to free himself his leg was broken below the knee. He was removed to the U. B. A. home in the city ambulance and Mrs. Catlin and Fuller attended him. His home is at No. 302 Shepard street.

Connors-Maloney.

John Connors and Miss Anna Maloney will be married in St. Andrew's cathedral this morning at 6.45. The wedding breakfast will be served at the residence of David Moreau, No. 95 James street. At 1 p. m. they will leave for Detroit on their wedding trip. Mr. Connors is lieutenant at engine house No. 1 and Miss Maloney is a clerk in Vogt, Herpolsheimer & Co.'s store.

Citizens' Charity Committee.

The office of the secretaries of the citizens' thanksgiving committee is located in room No. 415 Michigan Trust building, where any business may be transacted. The office will be open from 9 a. m. to 12 and from 1 to 6 p. m. Clothing, bedding, etc., will be called for if the secretary be notified. A meeting of the chairman of the various committees will take place in a day or two.

Valuable Bank Stock.

When the stock of a banking institution sells for 40 per cent above par value it indicates a wise and careful management. A few days since a holder of some of the stock of the Grand Rapids Savings bank, desiring ready money, effected a sale at that price and the purchaser sold the same stock one day later at a premium of 61 per cent.

IN TIME OF PEACE PREPARE

FOR WAR

AND

IN THE FALL

PREPARE FOR WINTER!

Soon the cold and snow and the whistling winds will be upon us and too late, many of you will think of several little things you could have done preparatory to their coming to ensure warmth and comfort.